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In re the Application of

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Appln. No.: 10/530,208 Examiner: J. Young

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Sir:

The Applicants wish to thank the examiner and her supervisor for the courtesy extended to Applicants' representative during a telephone interview conducted on November 21, 2006.

The following discussion includes a summary of the substance of the interview.

During this interview, the Applicants' representative argued for allowance of the claims over the prior art as amended in the Amendment and Remarks filed November 8, 2006. Specifically, the following rejections were discussed: claims 1-3, 6, 7, 9, and 11 under 35 USC §103(a) over Jayaraman et al. (US 6,963,549) in view of Zehavi et al. (US 6,990,082), claims 12 and 13 under 35 USC §102(e) based on Zehavi. No agreement was reached regarding patentability because the examiners indicated that they would

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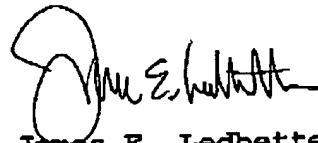
need to study further the amended claims and cited art before issuing a notice of allowance.

During the interview, Applicants' representative described how amended claim 1 distinguishes over the disclosure of Dapper (US 6,487,405) in that Dapper does not disclose a communication apparatus having: (1) a baseband signal processor that is reconfigurable to execute baseband signal processing that is different among a plurality of radio communication systems and (2) a reconfiguring section that reconfigures the baseband signal processor based on programming data of a new radio communication system upon switching of radio communication systems. The Applicants' representative noted that, by contrast to the claimed features, Dapper discloses optical communication and baseband signal processing that is not reconfigurable for different communication systems.

Thus, the Applicants' representative noted that Dapper does not anticipate the subject matter defined by amended claim 1. The Applicants' representative further noted that independent claim 17 similarly recites the above-mentioned features distinguishing apparatus claim 1 from the applied references, although claim 17 does so with respect to a method. Therefore, it was stressed that allowance of claims 1 and 17 and all claims dependent therefrom is warranted.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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